

# Midterm Exam Solutions - Algebra 2

## Exercise 1:

1) The standard basis of  $\mathbb{R}_6[X]$  is:

$$B = \{1, X, X^2, X^3, X^4, X^5, X^6\}$$

$$\dim(\mathbb{R}_6[X]) = 7.$$

2) Let  $P \in G$ . Prove that  $X+1 \mid P$ .

$$P(X) = \lambda X^3 + \mu X^2 + \nu X + \lambda, (\lambda, \mu) \in \mathbb{R}^2.$$

$$\text{We have } P(-1) = -\lambda + \mu - \nu + \lambda = 0 \quad (X-a \mid P \Leftrightarrow P(a) = 0)$$

Then all elements of  $G$  are divisible by  $X+1$ .

3. a) Let  $P \in E$

$$P \in F \Leftrightarrow P = \delta X^6 + \alpha X^5 + \beta X^4 + \gamma X^3 + \beta X^2 + \alpha X + \delta$$

$$\Leftrightarrow P = \delta(X^6+1) + \alpha(X^5+X) + \beta(X^4+X^2) + \gamma X^3$$

$$\Leftrightarrow P \in \text{Span}\{X^6+1, X^5+X, X^4+X^2, X^3\}$$

$$\text{So } F = \text{Span}\{X^6+1, X^5+X, X^4+X^2, X^3\}$$

Then  $F$  is a subspace of  $E = \mathbb{R}_6[X]$  spanned (generated) by  $\{X^6+1, X^5+X, X^4+X^2, X^3\}$

$$P \in G \Leftrightarrow P = \lambda X^3 + \mu X^2 + \mu X + \lambda$$

$$\Leftrightarrow P = \lambda(X^3+1) + \mu(X^2+X)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow P \in \text{Span}\{X^3+1, X^2+X\}$$

$$\text{Then } G = \text{Span}\{X^3+1, X^2+X\}.$$

So  $G$  is a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}_6[X]$  spanned by:  $\{X^3+1, X^2+X\}$ .

b)  $B_F = \{X^6+1, X^5+X, X^4+X^2, X^3\}$  spans  $F$  and it is linearly independent (all polynomials in  $B_F$  have different degrees).  
Then  $B_F$  is a basis for  $F$ .

$$\text{So: } \dim F = 4$$

\*  $B_G = \{x^3+1, x^2+x\}$  spans  $G$  and the vectors  $x^3+1$  and  $x^2+x$  are not colinear, then  $B_G$  is linearly independent. Then  $B_G$  is a basis for  $G$ . So  $\dim G = 2$  (0,2)

c) Do we have  $F \oplus G$ ?

$$F \oplus G \Leftrightarrow F \cap G = \{0\}$$

Let  $P \in F \cap G$

$$P \in F \cap G \Leftrightarrow P \in F \text{ and } P \in G$$

$$\Leftrightarrow P = \delta x^6 + \alpha x^5 + \beta x^4 + \gamma x^3 + \lambda x^2 + \mu x + \nu \text{ and } P = \lambda x^3 + \mu x^2 + \nu x + \lambda, (\delta, \alpha, \beta, \gamma, \lambda, \mu) \in \mathbb{R}^6$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \begin{cases} \delta = \alpha = \beta = 0 \\ \gamma = \lambda \\ \beta = \mu \\ \alpha = \mu \\ \delta = \lambda \end{cases} \Leftrightarrow \alpha = \beta = \gamma = \delta = \lambda = \mu = 0$$

Then:  $F \cap G = \{0\} \Leftrightarrow F \oplus G$ .

Is  $E = F \oplus G$ ?

We have  $\dim(F \oplus G) = \dim F + \dim G = 4 + 2 = 6 \neq \dim E$

Then  $F \oplus G \neq E$ .

4. a)  $H = \{P \in \mathbb{R}_6[x], P'(-1) = 0\}$

\*  $H \subset \mathbb{R}_6[x]$  (0,2)

\*  $P = 0_{\mathbb{R}_6[x]} \in H$  because  $P'(-1) = 0$  (0,2)

\* Let  $P, Q \in H$  and  $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R}$ .

Prove that  $\alpha P + \beta Q \in H$ . Denote  $R = \alpha P + \beta Q$ .

$$\begin{aligned} R'(-1) &= \alpha P'(-1) + \beta Q'(-1) \\ &= 0 + 0 \quad (P \in H \text{ and } Q \in H) \end{aligned}$$

Then  $R = \alpha P + \beta Q \in H$ .

It follows that  $H$  is a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}_6[x]$ .



b)  $H$  is a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}_6[x] \Rightarrow \dim H \leq \dim E = 7$

Suppose  $\dim H = 7$ .

If  $\dim H = 7$ , then  $H = \mathbb{R}_6[x]$  ( $H \subset \mathbb{R}_6[x]$ )

But:  $x^2 \in \mathbb{R}_6[x]$  and  $x^2 \notin H$  ( $P'(-1) = -2 \neq 0$ )  
Contradiction.

So  $\dim H \leq 6$ .

c)  $1 \in H$  ( $(1)' = 0$ )

$\forall k \in \mathbb{Z}, 6$ ,  $P_k = (x+1)^k \in H$  because:

$$\begin{aligned} & (x+1)^k \in E \\ & P'_k(x) = k(x+1)^{k-1} \quad \text{where } k-1 \geq 1 \\ & P'_k(-1) = k \times 0^{k-1} = 0 \quad \text{where } k-1 \geq 1 \end{aligned}$$

Moreover,  $\mathcal{F}$  is a collection of polynomials with different degrees  
( $\forall i \neq j, \deg(P_i) \neq \deg(P_j)$ ).

Then  $\mathcal{F}$  is linearly independent.

d)  $\mathcal{F}$  is linearly independent, the  $\mathcal{F}$  is a basis for  $\text{Span}\{\mathcal{F}\}$

So  $\dim(\text{Span}\{\mathcal{F}\}) = 6$ .

$\mathcal{F}$  is a collection of elements of  $H$ , then  $\text{Span}\{\mathcal{F}\} \subset H$ .

It follows that:  $\dim(\text{Span}\{\mathcal{F}\}) \leq \dim H$

Then:  $6 \leq \dim H \leq 6$  (from question 4.b)

5.a) We have  $G \cap H \subset G \Rightarrow \dim(G \cap H) \leq \dim G = 2$

$$\dim(G+H) = \dim G + \dim H - \dim(G \cap H) \leq \dim E$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \dim(G \cap H) \geq \dim G + \dim H - \dim H$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \dim(G \cap H) \geq 2 + 6 - 7 = 1$$

Then:  $1 \leq \dim(G \cap H) \leq 2$

5.b) Suppose  $\dim(G \cap H) = 2 = \dim G$ .

Then  $G \cap H = G$  (because  $G \cap H \subset G$ )

So  $G \subset H$  ( $G \cap H \subset H$ )

But:  $P = X^3 + 1 \in G$  and  $P'(-1) = 3 \neq 0$

$P \notin H \Rightarrow G \not\subset H$  Contradiction.

Then  $\dim(G \cap H) = 1$ .

c) Let  $P \in G \cap H$ .

$P \in G \cap H \Leftrightarrow P \in G$  and  $P \in H$

$\Leftrightarrow P$  is divisible by  $X+1$  (from 2) and  $P'(-1) = 0$

$\Leftrightarrow P(-1) = 0$  and  $P'(-1) = 0$

$\Leftrightarrow -1$  is a root of multiplicity at least 2 of  $P$ .

d)  $\dim(G \cap H) = 1$ , So  $G \cap H$  is spanned by one nonzero vector.

Let  $P = (X+1)^3 \in H$  because  $-1$  is a root of multiplicity 3 of  $P$ .

and  $P \in G$  ( $P(-1) = 0 \Leftrightarrow P'(-1) = 0$ )

Finally  $\{(X+1)^3\}$  is a basis for  $G \cap H$ .

Exercise 2:

1)

$n$	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
$F_n$	0	1	1	2	3	5	8	13	21	34	55	89	144

2)  $A^2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = A + I_2$

3)  $A^{2n} = (A^2)^n = (A + I_2)^n = \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} A^k$

4)  $A = \begin{pmatrix} F_0 & F_1 \\ F_1 & F_2 \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $A^2 = \begin{pmatrix} F_1 & F_2 \\ F_2 & F_3 \end{pmatrix}$ , by induction:  $A^k = \begin{pmatrix} F_{k-1} & F_k \\ F_k & F_{k+1} \end{pmatrix}$

By identification:  $A^{2n} = \begin{pmatrix} F_{2n-1} & F_{2n} \\ F_{2n} & F_{2n+1} \end{pmatrix} = \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} \begin{pmatrix} F_{k-1} & F_k \\ F_k & F_{k+1} \end{pmatrix}$



$$A^{2m} = \begin{pmatrix} F_{2m-1} & F_{2m} \\ F_{2m} & F_{2m+1} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \sum_{k=0}^m \binom{m}{k} F_{k-1} & \sum_{k=0}^m \binom{m}{k} F_k \\ \sum_{k=0}^m \binom{m}{k} F_k & \sum_{k=0}^m \binom{m}{k} F_{k+1} \end{pmatrix} \quad (0.15)$$

$$\text{Then: } F_{2m} = \sum_{k=0}^m \binom{m}{k} F_k.$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{For } m=6, \text{ we have: } F_{12} &= \sum_{k=0}^6 \binom{6}{k} F_k \\ &= \binom{6}{0} F_0 + \binom{6}{1} F_1 + \binom{6}{2} F_2 + \binom{6}{3} F_3 + \binom{6}{4} F_4 + \binom{6}{5} F_5 + \binom{6}{6} F_6 \\ &= 6 F_1 + 15 F_2 + 20 F_3 + 15 F_4 + 6 F_5 + F_6 \\ &= 144 \end{aligned} \quad (0.15)$$

5) From 4), we have:

$$\begin{aligned} F_{2m} = \sum_{k=0}^m \binom{m}{k} F_k &\leq \underbrace{\sum_{k=0}^m \binom{m}{k}}_{2^m} F_m \quad (F_k \leq F_m, \forall k \leq m) \\ &\leq 2^m F_m \end{aligned} \quad (1)$$

Then,  $\exists a = 2 > 0, \forall m \in \mathbb{N}: F_{2m} \leq a^m F_m$ .

Exercise 3:

$$1.a) \quad L(X) = \left( \int_{-1}^1 t \, dt \right) X = \left[ \frac{t^2}{2} \right]_{-1}^1 X = 0. \quad (0.20)$$

$$L(X^2) = \frac{2}{3} X \quad (0.20)$$

$$L(X^3) = 0 \quad (0.21)$$

b) Let  $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $P, Q \in \mathbb{R}_3[X]$ .

$$L(\alpha P + \beta Q) = \left( \int_{-1}^1 (\alpha P + \beta Q)(t) \, dt \right) X$$

$$= \left( \int_{-1}^1 (\alpha P(t) + \beta Q(t)) \, dt \right) X$$

$$= \left( \int_{-1}^1 \alpha P(t) \, dt + \int_{-1}^1 \beta Q(t) \, dt \right) X$$

$$= \alpha \left( \int_{-1}^1 P(t) \, dt \right) X + \beta \left( \int_{-1}^1 Q(t) \, dt \right) X$$

$$= \alpha L(P) + \beta L(Q). \text{ Then } L \text{ is a linear map.} \quad (1)$$

c) We notice that, for  $P \in E$ :

$$P \in \text{Ker}(L) \Leftrightarrow L(P) = 0 \Leftrightarrow \int_{-1}^1 P(t) dt = 0$$

Then:  $F = \text{Ker}(L)$  which is a subspace of  $E = \mathbb{R}_3[x]$ .

2.a)

$$A = \text{Mat } f = \begin{pmatrix} f(1) & f(x) & f(x^2) & f(x^3) \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 0 & \frac{8}{3} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \begin{matrix} 1 \\ x \\ x^2 \end{matrix}$$

b)  $A \sim \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{8}{3} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$

$$C_1 \leftarrow C_1 - \frac{3}{4} C_3$$

$$\text{rank}(f) = \text{rank}(A) = 3$$

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \dim(\text{Im}(f)) &= \text{rank}(f) = 3 = \dim(\mathbb{R}_2[x]) \\ \text{Im}(f) &\subset \mathbb{R}_2[x] \end{aligned} \right\} \Rightarrow \text{Im}(f) = \mathbb{R}_2[x]$$

Then  $f$  is surjective.

c) From the Rank-nullity theorem, we have:

$$\dim E = \text{rank}(f) + \dim(\text{Ker}(f))$$

$$\text{Thus: } \dim(\text{Ker}(f)) = 1.$$

d) We observe that:  $C_1 = \frac{3}{4} C_3$  (from the matrix  $A$ ). So:

$$f(1) = \frac{3}{4} f(x^2).$$

$$f \in \mathcal{L}(E, \mathbb{R}_2[x]) \Rightarrow f(1 - \frac{3}{4} x^2) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 1 - \frac{3}{4} x^2 \in \text{Ker}(f)$$

Then  $B = \{1 - \frac{3}{4} x^2\}$  is a basis for  $\text{Ker}(f)$  (because  $\dim(\text{Ker } f) = 1$ )

$$3. a) \varphi(P) = P' + \left( \int_{-1}^1 P(t) dt \right) X = P'$$

$$\text{Because: } \int_{-1}^1 P(t) dt = 0$$

$$(P \in F) \quad (0,1)$$

$$b) \text{Ker}(\varphi) = \{P \in F \mid \varphi(P) = 0\}$$

let  $P \in F$ .

$$\varphi(P) = 0 \Leftrightarrow P' = 0 \Leftrightarrow P = C, C \in \mathbb{R}.$$

$$P \in F \Leftrightarrow \int_{-1}^1 P(t) dt = 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \int_{-1}^1 C dt = 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow [Ct]_{-1}^1 = 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow 2C = 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow C = 0$$

$$\text{So } \varphi(P) = 0 \Leftrightarrow P = 0.$$

$$\text{Then } \text{Ker}(\varphi) = \{0\}$$

So  $\varphi$  is injective.